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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL INCOMING PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Welcome to the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade Team

1. Welcome to the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade. You are now part of the best Military Intelligence Brigade in the Army. As the Brigade Command Sergeant Major, I would like to extend a warm welcome to you and provide some basic information concerning your assignment. You will find your experience here in the "Land of the Morning Calm" both professionally and personally rewarding.
2. The 501st Military Intelligence Brigade is a major subordinate command of the US Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM), located in Fort Belvoir, Virginia. The brigade's mission is to provide information and multi-disciplined intelligence to joint and combined war fighting commanders and staffs within the US forces, Korea/Eighth US Army, and higher echelons. We have units and activities spread throughout the Republic of Korea. For the most part, Soldiers are located in Seoul and Pyongtaek, which is approximately 50 miles south of Seoul.
3. Sponsorship is a vital program designed to assist you during relocation and transition to Korea. First impressions are important and long lasting. We want to include you in the Red Dragon Brigade family and help minimize the potential for problems you may encounter upon your arrival. Therefore, your sponsor will be contacting you with more specific information about your job and Korea. Until you hear from your sponsor, you can address any questions you may have concerning your new assignment and Korea to the BDE S-1 NCOIC, SFC ~~Weed~~ at DSN 315-723-4340 or COMM 011-822-7913-4340 as well as email him at, kumna.k.weed@us.army.mil who will be happy to provide any assistance.
4. In regards to Command Sponsorship (CS), Soldiers who apply and receive approval for CS will obtain either concurrent travel (1 - 60 days) or deferred travel (61-140 days). That is the time period you have to bring your Family Members to Korea, or your CS will be revoked - and there will be a significant amount of money to pay back to the US government. Make SURE that when you apply for CS, you are ready to bring your Family Members within those times!
5. Again, welcome to the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade family and I look forward to serving with you.

"Red Dragons – Strike with Fire"

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